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SUBJECT: UNSSOD MAY 30 AFTERNOON SESSION CONTINUES:
STATEMENTS BY ECUADOR, MAURITANIA, PERU, AND EQUATORIAL
GUINEA

1. SUMMARY: SSOD GENERAL DEBATE CONTINUED ON THE AFTERNOON
OF MAY 30 WITH STATEMENTS BY ECUADOR, MAURITANIA, PERU,
AND EQUATORIAL GUINEA. CHILE AND BOLIVIA EXERCISE PRE-
SCRIPTIBLE RIGHTS OF REPLY OVER ACCESS TO THE SEA. END
SUMMARY.

2. MINISTER OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS JOSE AYALA-LASSO OF
ECUADOR CONTINUED THE SSOD GENERAL DEBATE ON THE AFTER-
NOON OF MAY 30. HE SAID THAT PRIORITY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO
THE ABSOLUTE PROHIBITION OF ALL TYPES OF NUCLEAR TESTING;
TO THE PROHIBITION OF NEW WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION;
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CAPACITY FOR DELIVERY OF SUCH WEAPONS, AND TO THE AGREE-
MENT BY EACH STATE THAT IT WOULD NOT BE THE FIRST TO USE
NUCLEAR ARMS. AYALA-LASSO ASSERTED THAT THE MANUFACTURE
OF ANTI-SATELLITE ARMAMENTS CONSTITUTES A THREAT FOR
EVERYONE, AND HE NOTED THAT IN VIEW OF THE RECENT FALL
OF A RADIOACTIVE SATELLITE IN CANADA, THERE IS AN
INDISPENSABLE NEED FOR ELABORATING ADEQUATE NORMS FOR THE

USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY IN SPACE. HE SAID THAT TODAY THERE ARE MORE SELLERS THAN BUYERS OF WEAPONS, AND HE MAINTAINED THAT THE SUPER-POWERS BEAR THE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISARMAMENT. AYALA-LASSO SUGGESTED THAT REGIONAL CONFERENCES MIGHT AGREE TO PREVENT THE IMPORT OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS. HE NOTED THAT DISARMAMENT MIGHT BE ONE OF THE REAL MEANS FOR RELEASING RESOURCES THAT MIGHT CONTRIBUTE TO THE NIEO. HE ALSO SAID THAT MORE OPPORTUNITIES MUST BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN ORDER THAT THEY MIGHT USE NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES WITHIN THE CONTROLS ESTABLISHED BY THE IAEA.

3. AMB TO THE UN MOULAYE EL HASSEN OF MAURITANIA SAID THAT ONLY A FORUM AS DEMOCRATIC AND REPRESENTATIVE AS THE SSOD WOULD GUARANTEE OBJECTIVITY IN ITS DEBATES AND UNIVERSALITY IN ITS DECISIONS. EL HASSEN ASSERTED THAT ARMS CONTROL AGREEMENTS TO DATE ARE NO MORE THAN "SPORADIC AND PALLIATIVE ACTIONS" AND DO NOT REPRESENT A GLOBAL AND INTEGRATED APPROACH TO DISARMAMENT. HE MAINTAINED THAT PRESENT DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATING STRUCTURES ARE UNSUITABLE AND ARE IMPEDING PROGRESS. HE ASSERTED THAT THE CCD IS NOT AN APPROPRIATE FRAMEWORK, AND THAT A MORE REPRESENTATIVE FRAMEWORK IS NEEDED. HE SAID THAT THE SSOD SHOULD CONSIDER THE CREATION OF INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY TO OVERSEE THE APPLICATION OF DECISIONS ADOPTED

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AND TO ARRANGE FOLLOW-UP ACTION. EL HASSEN NOTED WITH APPROVAL THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PROPOSAL THAT COUNTRIES DEVOTE ONE MILLION DOLLARS TO DISARMAMENT RESEARCH FOR EVERY THOUSAND MILLION DOLLARS SPENT ON ARMS, AND HE ALSO NOTED WITH APPROVAL THE PLAN OF ACTION PROPOSED BY THE FRENCH PRESIDENT. HE DEPLORED THE IMBALANCE BETWEEN EXPENDITURES FOR ARMAMENTS AND THOSE FOR DEVELOPMENT. EL HASSEN CONCLUDED BY NOTING THAT AN INTERNATIONAL DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE UNDER UN AUSPICES SHOULD BE PREPARED FOR CAREFULLY.

4. AMB TO THE UN CARLOS ALZAMORA OF PERU SAID THAT A SYSTEM OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY MUST TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE FOLLOWING PRIORITIES: HALT THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE; REDUCE THE NUMBERS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS; STOP THE PRODUCTION OF NEW WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION; ASSURE THAT THERE IS NO HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS; AND HALT THE FURTHER SOPHISTICATION OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS AND STOP THEIR TRANSFER TO OTHER COUNTRIES. ALZAMORA ASSERTED THAT THE SUPER-POWERS BEAR THE MAJOR RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISARMAMENT. HE CALLED FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY, THE EXPANSION OF

NUCLEAR-FREE ZONES, AND AN END TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF
CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS. HE FORGED THE USUAL
LINK BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT. ALZAMORA
ASSERTED THAT THE ROLE OF THE UN IN DISARMAMENT
NEGOTIATIONS MUST BE STRENGTHENED AND THAT NON-NUCLEAR
STATES SHOULD HAVE A GREATER VOICE.

5. AMB. TO THE UN EVUNA OWONO ASANGONO OF EQUATORIAL
GUINEA SAID THAT THERE COULD BE NO PEACE AND SECURITY
WITHOUT DEVELOPMENT AND NO DEVELOPMENT WITHOUT PEACE.
HE ASSERTED THAT RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISARMAMENT RESTS

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SOLELY WITH THE SUPER-POWERS AND THE MAJOR PRODUCERS OF
WEAPONS. HE EQUATED THE ARMS RACE TO THE VICE OF OPIUM,
WHICH BEGINS WITH THE PRODUCER BUT SOON SPREADS TO ALL
SECTORS OF SOCIETY. HE COMPLAINED THAT THE MASS MEDIA
TRY TO SUBVERT HIS COUNTRY, AND HE INDULGED IN
STANDARD POLEMICS ON "IMPERIALIST WARS." ASANGONO DE-
CLARED THAT MILITARY ALLIANCES CAN NOT BE USED TO
RELIEVE THE PRESENT STATE OF TENSION. HE SAID THAT
NUCLEAR-FREE ZONES SHOULD BE SET UP IN VARIOUS PARTS OF
THE WORLD, INCLUDING THE AFRICAN CONTINENT. HE ALSO
MAINTAINED THAT ALL NATIONS HAVE THE RIGHT TO USE NUCLEAR
TECHNOLOGY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES UNDER A PROGRAM
ELABORATED BY THE IAEA.

6. AT THE END OF THE DAY AMB. MARIO ROLON ANAYA OF
BOLIVIA AND AMB. SERGIO DIEZ OF CHILE EXCHANGED RIGHTS
OF REPLY IN WHICH EACH ACCUSED THE OTHER'S GOVERNMENT
OF STANDING IN THE WAY OF MEANINGFUL NEGOTIATIONS ON THE
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